

1986. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1986 Amendment note set out under section 9601 of this title and Tables.

The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, referred to in subsec. (f), are set out in the Appendix to Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

#### § 11047. Exemption

Except as provided in section 11004 of this title, this chapter does not apply to the transportation, including the storage incident to such transportation, of any substance or chemical subject to the requirements of this chapter, including the transportation and distribution of natural gas.

(Pub. L. 99-499, title III, § 327, Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1757.)

#### § 11048. Regulations

The Administrator may prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

(Pub. L. 99-499, title III, § 328, Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1757.)

#### § 11049. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

##### (1) Administrator

The term “Administrator” means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

##### (2) Environment

The term “environment” includes water, air, and land and the interrelationship which exists among and between water, air, and land and all living things.

##### (3) Extremely hazardous substance

The term “extremely hazardous substance” means a substance on the list described in section 11002(a)(2) of this title.

##### (4) Facility

The term “facility” means all buildings, equipment, structures, and other stationary items which are located on a single site or on contiguous or adjacent sites and which are owned or operated by the same person (or by any person which controls, is controlled by, or under common control with, such person). For purposes of section 11004 of this title, the term includes motor vehicles, rolling stock, and aircraft.

##### (5) Hazardous chemical

The term “hazardous chemical” has the meaning given such term by section 11021(e) of this title.

##### (6) Material safety data sheet

The term “material safety data sheet” means the sheet required to be developed under section 1910.1200(g) of title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as that section may be amended from time to time.

##### (7) Person

The term “person” means any individual, trust, firm, joint stock company, corporation (including a government corporation), part-

nership, association, State, municipality, commission, political subdivision of a State, or interstate body.

##### (8) Release

The term “release” means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment (including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles) of any hazardous chemical, extremely hazardous substance, or toxic chemical.

##### (9) State

The term “State” means any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other territory or possession over which the United States has jurisdiction.

##### (10) Toxic chemical

The term “toxic chemical” means a substance on the list described in section 11023(c) of this title.

(Pub. L. 99-499, title III, § 329, Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1757.)

#### § 11050. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1986, such sums as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

(Pub. L. 99-499, title III, § 330, Oct. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 1758.)

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The Congress finds the following:

- (1) The increasing occurrence of medical malpractice and the need to improve the qual-